

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: REVIEW OF BLOCK ISLAND UTILITY DISTRICT FILINGS
DOCKET NO. 5141 – LAST RESORT & TRANSMISSION RATE RECONCILIATION
DOCKET NO. 5013 - DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT PLAN

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 39-3-11, as amended and 39-2-1.2(b), the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) hereby gives notice that it will conduct a hearing on **Thursday, May 20, 2021 @ 9:30 A.M.** to examine the propriety of proposals submitted by the Block Island Utility District (BIUD) to implement program and rate changes in Docket Nos. 5141 and 5013. The hearing will be held in Hearing Room A, at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island on the following dates and time. The hearings will be streamed live at <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/WqQyXw296dg>.

Public comment will be taken on both dockets. People interested in providing public comment at the meeting may participate in a Zoom meeting through the internet or by calling in, preferably 5-10 minutes prior to the hearing. To participate, click this link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89291283332> and you will be given instructions to enter the meeting by internet. If you choose to participate by telephone, you may dial 929-205-6099 and enter meeting number 892 9128 3332 followed by the # symbol when prompted. If you are not interested in providing public comment, please watch the live stream at the address in the first paragraph. You will be able to observe the hearing and hear others' public comment.

Following public comments, the PUC will proceed with examination of the following dockets:

10:00 A.M. – Docket No. 5141- In this docket, BIUD proposed an energy procurement plan to obtain competitively priced wholesale power supply to meet its Last Resort Service requirements. BIUD also proposed rate changes arising out of the twelve-month reconciliation of Company's tariff adjustment provisions for the Last Resort and Transmission Rate. The requested effective date for the new rates is June 1, 2021. The impact of the proposal on a residential customer using 500 kwh of electricity per month during the months of November through April is a decrease of \$12.98 per month from \$149.55 to \$136.57; for the months of May through October, a decrease of \$12.98 per month from \$176.05 to \$163.07; for the months of June and September, a decrease of \$17.98 per month from \$181.05 to \$163.07; and for the months of July and August, a decrease of \$17.98 per month from \$252.30 to \$234.32.

1:00 P.M. – Docket No. 5013 - In this docket, BIUD submitted proposed Demand Side Management Plan (Plan) and associated budget to implement energy efficiency program and system reliability for its customers. BIUD seeks approval of the Plan with an overall budget of \$159,540 for calendar year 2021. The program will be funded through the collection of the Efficiency Surcharge from all customers: \$0.00395/kWh during the months of May and June, \$0.01/kWh during the months of July and August; and \$0.00395/kWh during the months of September and October.

The filings are available for examinations at the PUC's office. The filings can also be accessed at <http://www.ripuc.ri.gov/eventsactions/docket/5141page.html> for Docket 5141 and <http://www.ripuc.ri.gov/eventsactions/docket/5013page.html> for Docket 5013. Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

The PUC is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Commission Clerk's office at 780-2107, seventy-two hours in advance of hearing.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk

May 7, 2021